RESOLUTION NO. 2021-1-20

RESOLUTION OF THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ESTABLISHING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO PROTECT DECORUM AND FOSTER THE EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

WHEREAS, the Morgan County Board of Commissioners (the "Commissioners") serves as the legislative body of Morgan County, Indiana (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners conduct County business during its regularly scheduled and, if necessary, special meetings, all of which are open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the commissioners desire public meetings to be civil, orderly and in the best interest of the citizens

WHEREAS, IC Code 36-2-4-10 of the State of Indiana states "A county executive or county fiscal body may adopt rules for the transaction of business at its meetings"

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MORGAN COUNTY, INDIANA:

- I. The Morgan County Board of Commissioners hereby adopt Robert Rules of Order for the conducting of business with the following addendums which shall apply to all individuals attending public meetings of the Morgan County Board of Commissioners
 - a.: All in attendance shall refrain from personal, slanderous, insensitive obscene comments and/or comply with basic civility and decorum in the standard of a reasonable person. People so engaged will be asked to cease and desist and if a second request is unacceptable to them, they shall be invited to leave the meeting
 - b. Rules of debate: If requested by the Chairperson of the Board, citizens may express their thought concerning items on the agenda. This should be accomplished in a reasonable amount of time not exceeding 5 minutes. The Chairperson may at his/her discretion extend the amount of time another 5 minutes.
 - c. Any demonstrations that may be deemed disruptive to the Commissioners conducting an orderly meeting must seek approval from any commissioners meeting before the planned event.
- II. Upon the adoption of this Resolution, a copy of the rules stated herein shall be posted outside the Commissioners' Meeting Room and made available to the general public through the internet website for Morgan County, Indiana (https://www.MorganCounty.in.gov/).

III. This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

DULY ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Morgan County at a regularly scheduled public meeting held on this, the 20th day of January 2021.

MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Don Adams, President

Kenneth Hale, Vice President

Bryan Collier, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Dan Bastin, Auditor